

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The office action of April 24, 2007 has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-5 remain in this application. Claims 6-16 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Restriction Requirement

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect, without traverse, the invention of Group I, claims 1-5, drawn to determining overlap between a selection region and an object. Non-elected claims 6-16 have been canceled. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims prior to the termination of proceedings in this patent application.

Abstract Objections and Specification Amendment

The Abstract stands objected to because the term "they" is unclear. The Abstract has been amended herein.

In addition, Applicants have corrected a minor informality in the specification.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

Claims 1-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. Applicants have amended claim 1 to address the issues raised by the Examiner. As such, each of the pending claims is sufficiently definite to comply with section 112, second paragraph.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that no fee is required for this submission. If any fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

All rejections having been addressed, applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicit prompt notification of the same.

Respectfully submitted,
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